

# WESTMENN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, February 1, 2020

Morris, Manitoba

10:00 – 11:10

Present: Graham Schellenberg, Lawrence Klippenstein, Katie Lynch, John Giesbrecht, Peter Priess, Andrew Brown, Sean Goerzen, Jake Peters, Eleanor Chornoboy and Albert Falk

Regrets: Pam Klassen Dueck

1. The meeting was called to order by the chair, Graham Schellenberg.
2. Minutes of the September 14, 2019 meeting were read and accepted.
3. The agenda was reviewed and accepted. Several news items were discussed.
  - a. In memoriam: Edward Enns, Ray Giesbrecht, Jack (J.M.) Bumstead and Sig Enns.
  - b. MMHS commemoration of migration to Mexico, see Jeremy Wiebe if interested.
4. Welcome to new member Katie Lynch.
5. Election of secretary. Albert Falk was nominated by Eleanor Chornoboy, seconded by Graham Schellenberg.
6. MMHPC request. It was agreed to support the Manitoba Mennonite Heritage Photography Committee project with \$750.00.
7. Discussion regarding 2020 budget.
  - a. Altbergthal: Lawrence Klippenstein indicated a need for assistance on the Altbergthal book. Collection of material—driving/phoning  
It was agreed to renew \$500.00 as per 2019.
  - b. MMHPC request: It was agreed that \$750.00 is appropriate given our budget.

- c. Albert reported he does not require assistance this year regarding Post Road work.
  - d. Fort Dufferin and Atlas Project may require some assistance this year. \$200 allocated to each.
  - e. Workshop: Manitoba 150; there are talks underway regarding similar idea with NHF and their barn facility. NHF may have something on the go, if the opportunity arises to help. \$300.00
  - f. Some miscellaneous expenses will occur. \$100.00
- 8. Report on the Altbergthal History Project – Graham S. and Lawrence K.**
- a. Graham reported that significant information has emerged about the life of Cornelius Bergman, Bergman Siding and Lichtfeld.
  - b. Lawrence mentioned that frequently this is in gothic German and there are fewer people that are able to translate.
- 9. Report on Fort Dufferin – Eleanor Chornoboy and John Giesbrecht**
- a. Report circulated. Eleanor: need more photos, people come from long distances to visit.
- 10. Report on West Reserve Atlas Project – Albert Falk**
- a. Albert: short comment on WR research and software issues with Adobe shutting down their activation server meaning even ‘new’ old versions of their InDesign software and others cannot be registered resulting in only the 30 day trial can be used. He is continuing with ongoing research, continues gathering information and hopes to meet with Dave Harms for pointers regarding InDesign.
  - b. Albert also reported that Joanne Bergen is working on cataloguing all WR cemeteries.
- 11. Report on Post Road work/tour – Albert Falk**
- a. Albert reported there will likely be a Post Road ride again this year including Winnipeg rider involvement if possible.
- 12. New business**
- a. Sean had a discussion with Ernie Braun and Glenn Penner regarding origin of Mennonite village names. Glenn is working on all village

names which he hopes to post. Some information from this could be used for the WR Atlas.

- b. Eleanor reminded the group that the annual MMHS AGM will be held on Mar 14, 2020 from 10-12 at the seniors centre, then a plaut dietsch session will take place at Commons Barn in Neuberghthal.

**13.** Date for next meeting: April 25, 2020 (pending)

**14.** Adjournment (11:10 a.m.)

## WestMenn Budget Disbursements Projected for 2020

MMHPC:	\$750.00
Altbergthal:	\$500.00
Ft. Dufferin:	\$200.00
WR Atlas:	\$200.00
Workshop:	\$300.00
Misc.	\$100.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2050.00</b>